IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Meikrantz et al.

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For: Cesium and Strontium Extraction Using a Mixed Extractant Solvent including Crown

Ether and Calixarene Extractants

Examiner: T. Vanoy

Group Art Unit: 1754

Attorney Docket No.: B-424

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 16, 2006, wherein a restriction requirement was issued by the Office. Applicants hereby elect Group III (claims 21-43), drawn to a method for separating cesium and strontium from a solution, classified in class 423, subclass 1+, for examination without traverse.